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TRAGEDIES OF THE WOODS. Evidences of Many That Have Hap-pened Out of Mortal Vision.

From Forest and Stream. One day in the fall of 1888, in the mountains of northern Colorado, while engaged about the ranch, I saw up at the head of the meadow a half-mile away a bunch of a dozen antelope coming down from the hills at full speed, closely pursued by some black animal. I knew that it must be a black wolf, since an occasional one had been

When I first saw them the wolf was perhaps five or six rods behind, and during the distance I could see them (possibly eighty rods) it was gaining steadily but surely, and as they went out of sight into the hills on the other side of the meadow it was seemingly only about two jumps behind, and they began to scatter as it was closing in on them.

are familiar with antelope know how won-

derful is their speed; there are a very, very

few animals which can equal them.

they had disappeared did I waken to action. I ran to the bunk house, got my gun, and ran up a steep, timbered hillside for a near cut to an open valley, for which they were headed, believing it would catch one within a short distance. When I got to the edge of the timber on top of the hill I saw the antelope all huddled together and standing still, just as sheep do after being chased or

Judging from the actions of the others, I felt certain that it had caught one, but the surrounding country was composed of ridges, ravines and patches of timber, and, notwithstanding my careful search, I failed As I trudged back home after my fruitless chase I meditated, as I have often done since, on the long, unwritten history of wild-animal life in regions where man has not broken in upon the natural conditions; of the contests and conquests among nature's wild creatures, from the smallest up to the monarchs of the forest, all un-known and unrecorded, save on rare occasions when we by chance see for ourselves or see the evidence thereof, terminating, of course, in the "survival of the fittest."

Fishing With a Steam Pump.

M. Mercier of St. Aubin du Condrait describes one of the most singular fishing dedrained, owing to the expense. Last year stroke of the piston drew up a hectolitre (25 gallons) of water, and the pond was therefore emptied in a few hours, and not only was the water drawn off, but also all fish that it contained. This was a revelation. All the owners of ponds in the neighborhood have at once followed suit, and the owner of the pump is making a specialty of this kind of work. He lets out one of his pumps, modified for this purose, and the peasants of the region call "the fish pump." Each stroke of the dirt and debris such as are contained in every pond-old sardine boxes and the like. A sort of metal basket receives the whole. The water and slime escape, while a boy collects the fish and sorts them according to species and weight. Recently, in ten hours the fish in a pond of several acres have been withdrawn at an expense of \$7. The process is curious and ingenious, and is probably especially adapted to bring about the extinction of the fish tribe.

Possibilities of the Propeller. From the New York Times.

The last group of the battle ships have furnished additional proof that the possibilities of the propeller screw are still in the ascendant, for as each battle ship has made its speed trials it had exceeded the speed record of its predecessors, until the last man-of-war, the Wisconsin, topped the record figures of everything in her class with a speed for two hours of 18.6 knots.



Praises Pyramid

Mrs. Aaron Medron of Savannah, Ga., writes: "I had piles and rectal trouble for years until it was unbearable any longer. As I had often seen Pyramid Pile Cure advertised I determined to try it and for two years have never ceased to congratulate myself that I did so, for a have been entirely cured of rectal troubles and two packages of the

The Pyramid Pile Cure contains no cocaine opium nor any injurious drug whatever, and is ibsolutely safe, painless and never fulls to cure Druggists sell full-sized treatment of this remedy

MR. DAWES TO RETIRE

SENATE. Some of the Reforms Carried Out Un

WILL BE A CANDIDATE FOR THE

the Office.

Charles G. Dawes, the controller of the currency, has tendered his resignation to the President, to take effect October 1 next. In answer to an inquiry, in explanation Mr. Dawes said: "I have resigned because of my intention to be a candidate before the people of Illinois for the United States Senate. It would not be possible for me during the next year to make a canvass for the Senate and at the same time administer to my own satisfaction the important and responsible office I now hold. I am influenced solely in this action by what seems to me the plain proprieties of the situa-

Mr. Dawes' term of office would not have expired until January 1, 1903. His letter to President is as follows: WASHINGTON, D. C., July 3, 1901.

Executive Mansion

Washington, D. C.
"Sir: In view of the fact that I will be a candidate for the United States Senate from Illinois, I hereby tender my resignation as controller of the currency, to take effect October 1 next. Respectfully, "CHAS. G. DAWES."

Mr. Dawes entered the office of controller of the currency January 1, 1898, succeeding Jas. H. Eckles, and was immediately confrented by the situation in the Chestnut Street National Bank of Philadelphia, which was one of the most complicated ever confronting a controller. He found it necessary, in the interest of the creditors of the bank, to oppose the general plan of a reorganization committee formed of prominent citizens of Philadelphia, and for a time he was severely criticised therefor. His plan was followed, however, and it is now recognized as having saved to the creditors of the bank a lien upon other property which was not contemplated by the reorganization committee, from which probably will realize over a million

dollars. The administration of the controller's office under Mr. Dawes has been conspicuously one of business, and this has brought to him the unstinted praise of banking and business interests throughout the United States. Mr. Dawes has always been prompt in the line of duty, as was evidenced in the matter of the Seventh National Bank of New York.

Mr. Dawes' Reforms.

One of Mr. Dawes' first orders, after entering office, stopped the practice of the employment of national bank examiners for the private examination of banks. seen, and nothing else that I could think | Early in his term he made a ruling levyof could run as this was running. All who ing a second assessment upon stockholders of insolvent banks where the first assessment had been less than the law author-ized, and he established the practice of re-bating to stockholders such portions of the prior assessment as was determined by further liquidation to have been excessive under the law. This ruling changed the long established practice of the office and was upheld by the courts, practically without exception. Controller Dawes also organized a system of consolidation of inolvent banks in the last stages of liquidation in the interests of economy, so that at the present time thirty-seven receiverships are being administered by two receivers I was so intensely interested that I was fairly riveted to the spot, and not until has uniformly hastened the liquidation of insolvent banks. Upon entering office the fag ends largely of the national bank failures of the 1803 panic were still undisposed of. During the last four years he has collected \$25,000,000 cash from these assets which covered every description of proper-

One of the most prominent features of Controller Dawes' administration has been still, just as sheep do after being chased of scared. The antelope would have offered a good shot if it had been meat I was after, tem of the country was a subject of general northing for getting an antelope, the same that it is his reports became the subject. of widespread discussion by the press and financial journals of the United States and England. He argued against bank asset currency under our present national bank of a prior lien of the note holder over the depositor upon assets of insolvent banks. During his term he prepared very complete statistics relating to banking in the United States. Owing to the passage of the Brunno, law of March 4, 1900, the national banking system of the country has greatly increased. During his administration he has created 785 banks. The number of national banks now under his supervision is 4,064, having assets of \$5,630,794,367.

FAMOUS PLACES.

Report of the American Scenic and Historic Preservation Society.

The sixth annual report of the American Scenic and Historic Preservation Society vices imaginable. The system, although to the legislature of the state of New York of extreme simplicity, is somewhat revolu- has just been published. The document tionary, and was discovered by chance. A contains ninety-seven pages of reading matpond on the farm of La Marlequette, bor- ter and about a dozen half-tone plates and dered by rocky shores, had never been maps. The report shows a large amount of work of a wholesome and practical nathe proprietor conceived the idea of mak- ture during the past year, not only in the ing use of a powerful steam pump. Each | way of preserving American landmarks and scenery and the perpetuation of time-honored names, but in the education of the popular mind and the cultivation of public sentiment by meetings, publications and

After calling attention to the large educational element in its work, which it hopes to amplify the coming winter by more frequent lectures, the report takes up a num ber of subjects of general interest. The saving of the Palisades, largely through its influence; the identification of the site piston brings up a torrent, with which are of Fort Lee, the acquisition of the historic mingled fish and crawfish, together with Jumel manslon by the city of New York, the efforts to save Fraunces' Tayern, the Poe cottage and Hamilton Grange, the destruction of the Boulevard trees, the land-scape treatment of Central Park, the prevention of the mutilation of the ancient Manor Hall in Yonkers, the improvement of the Stony Point battlefield, the marking of an Indian fort in the Catskills, the beautification of the grounds around the Old Salem Church, the necessity of preserving the impressive ruins of Ticonderoga and Crown Point, the effort to secure the creation of a state reservation embracing Wat-kins Glen, the threatened depletion of Niagara Falls, the perpetuation of old names and the bestowal of appropriate new ones are some of the topics touched upon.

Three valuable addresses before the so-

ciety are given as appendices. One by Andrew H. Green, president of the society, on "The Duty of Preserving Places and Objects of Natural Beauty or Historic Interest;" one by Francis Whiting Halsey, editor of the Saturday Review of the New York Times, on "The Historical Significance of the Hudson and Champlain Valleys," and one by Mrs. M. F. Pierce, president of the society's woman's auxiliary, on "Fraunces"

BOER WAR IS EXPENSIVE.

British Parliament May Have to Issue

Another Loan. A dispatch from London yesterday says: The statist, frankly discussing the probability of a fresh war loan, urges, in view of its apparent inevitability, that parliament, before adjournment, should confer upon the treasury loan powers for use during the recess. It points out that the last consols loan, after meeting the deficit and carrying on active war to July 31, will leave an estimated surplus of £16,000,000 available for winding up the charges of maintaining the present large force in South Africa, but that a continuation of hostilities beyond July 31 at the present rate of £1.500,000 a week would wipe out the entire surplus before October 15.
"Dr. Leyds," says the Brussels cor-

respondent of the Morning Post, "has addressed to the continental powers and the United States a protest against Great Britain's 'barbarous treatment' of Boer women and children. It is said that Holland Lord Kitchener telegraphs the war office under today's date from Pretoria that a train from Pietersburg was wrecked by the Boers yesterday north of Naboomspruit. A lieutenant and nine men of the Gordon Highlanders were killed, besides one artil-

ROCKVILLE AND VICINITY.

Special Correspondence of The Evening Star.

Walter Burroughs Commits Suicide General and Personal News.

ROCKVILLE, Md., July 5, 1901. Mr. Walter Burroughs, a well-known young farmer, who resided on the farm of Col. Washington Bowie, near Norbeck, this county, committed suicide about 19 o'clock yesterday morning by cutting his throat with a razor. A short while afterward the young man's dead body was found in the barn with his jugular vein severed. Several days ago he was overcome by the heat while working in the harvest field, and his mind had since been affected. It is the universal opinion that the rash act was due to the diseased condition of his mind, as his domestic life is said to have been happy, and he was apparently pros-pering in business. He was twenty-eight years old. His wife and three children

survive him. Among the Washingtonians who are guests at Lake View farm, near this town, are Mr. J. M. Jester and family, Mr. and Mrs. William Neill and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Edmondston and Miss Edmonds-ton, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stevens, Mrs. M. B. Scanlon and Miss Scanlon, Mr. and Mrs.
E. Lyddane, Mr. and Mrs. Exley and daughter and Master Walter Collier.

What is certain to prove a decided nov-

elty in lawn fetes to the people of Rock-ville will be given Monday evening on the lawn adjoining the residence of State Sen-ator W. V. Boulc. It will be a Chinese "Go-Hing," and about one hundred Wash-ington celestials are expected to attend. A very large number of other Washington-ians will also be present, and several electric cars have been chartered to convey them to Rockville. Minister Wu has been invited and is expected to be present.

Oriental music, vocal and instrumental. will be rendered by an orchestra from Sun King, China, and visitors from the orient.

in costume, will add to the attraction of the occasion. Chinese curios, sweetmeats and tea will be on sale. The proceeds will go to the relief of India famine orphans and persecuted Chinese Christians. The affair is under the charge of Miss Claudia White of this town, for eight years a missionary Miss Alice Edmonston, eldest daughter of

Mr. Edward O. Edmonston, residing near this town, died of consumption yesterday afternoon, aged about thirty-six years. She had been ill several months.

A marriage was solemnized in Rockville last evening, the contracting parties being Mr. John T. Butler and Miss Mary D. Cash, both of Washington. They reached here on an electric car, and after locating Mr. Dawson, the clerk of the county court, secured a license and were conducted by him to the home of Rev. S. R. White of the Baptist Church, where the ceremony was per-formed. The young couple returned to Washington immediately after the cere-

Mr. Eugene H. O'Neale of Chevy Chase and Miss Susan B. Purvis of Montreal, Va., were married Wednesday evening at the Methodist parsonage here by Rev. J. II. Balthis, assistant pastor of the Rockville

mony. It is said to have been a runaway

M. E. Church South. Mrs. T. R. Falvey of New Orleans is spending the summer here with her father, Mr. Spencer C. Jones.

The funeral of Miss Frances R. W. Wal-lace, who died in Washington Tuesday evening, took place here this morning from the residence of Mrs. Emma B. Williams. The services were conducted by Rev. Robert L. McNair, pastor of the Rockville Presbyterian Church, assisted by Rev. Thomas J. Packard, rector of Christ Episcopal Church. The interment was in Rockville

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Gleason of this town tied of cerebro spinal meningitis about 6 o'clock this morning, aged twenty months.

BOYD'S AND VICINITY.

Dispute Ends in Murder-Laborers Die of Heat Prostration. Special Correspondence of The Evening Star.

BOY'S, Md., July 5, 1901. Two Italian laborers employed by the contractors on the Baltimore and Ohio improvements hear Mt. Airy became involved in a dispute yesterday, which ended and plunged it into the left side of his opponent, disemboweiing and killing him immediately. The man who did the killing escaped and is now being sought for by the officers. The dead man was known as Vitto Brunno, and his assailant was Joseph Venturro. It is understood Venturro was wounded before he succeeded in killing

Two laborers died at Mt. Airy yesterday as a result of being overcome by the heat. One of them had only been working a few hours, when he said to his foreman that was feeling bad, and he was told to lie down under a tree nearby. He did so, but died instantly thereafter.

Information was received here Tuesday of the death that day of Mrs. Andrew J. Milstead at Tallassee, Ala. Mrs. Milstead is a relative of Mrs. Mahlon T. Lewis of this place. She was a native of Maryland. She was sixty-two years old. Her husband, Mr. Andrew J. Milstead, manager of the Tallassee cotton factory, and

two children survive her.

Many of the candidates for the legislature are being probed by those from whom they seek votes as to how they stand on the liquor law in this county, and whether they are in favor of resubmission or not. Some of the candidates have come out openly and are in favor of resubmission, while others are saying nothing. Many of the old democrats say if the legislative ticket nominated by the democrats should be for resubmission and the republicans shall be for the present law, with an amendment added to make the law more stringent, the republicans will win.

Anacostia News.

Mr. Frank Crovo, who conducted a place of business on Harrison street, Anacostia, for the last seven years, died yesterday at his residence, No. 19 Harrison street, Anacostla. Mr. Crovo had been ill for several months in Baltimore, and had but recently returned to his home here. He was born in Genoa, Italy, fifty-seven years ago, and came to the United States when quite young. His wife and eight children survive him. Funeral services over the remains will be held Monday morning at 9 o'clock from St. Teresa's Church, Anacos-The body will afterward be removed to Baltimore for interment at the Cemetery of the Redeemer. Mineola Tribe, No. 14, Improved Order of

Red Men, of Anacostia, met last evening in the Masonic Hall at Anacostia, when the following were installed as officers for the bur Dodge, chief of records; Harry Eno, collector of wampum; Edward Hinwood, keeper of wampum.

The regular review of Anacostia Tent,

No. 7, Order of the Maccabees, took place a few evenings since in Haines' Hall, Har-rison street, Anacostia. The following offi-cers were installed: A. Prevost, commander: L. Branson, lieutenant commander: Edward Flaherty, sergeant; T. Hall, chaplain; Roberts, first master of the guard; C. H. Clarke, sentinel; F. H. Nokes, picket. The Anacostia fire company was called out twice yesterday for slight fires in residences. The earlier blaze was at the house of Mrs. Francis L. Bowie, Prout street, Twining City, where a lighted match had ignited some draperies. Slight damage was done and the fire was easily extinguished. The overturning of a gasoline stove at the residence of B. F. Chase, No. 128 Harrison street, brought the company out again in the afternoon. No damage was again in the afternoon. No damage was done by this blaze, however.

Mr. George Denise of Anacostia is having erected at Congress Heights a handsome cottage, which he is preparing to occupy, intending to remove there from Anacostia.

Gilbert Islanders in Hawaii.

From the Hawaiian Star.

The Gilbert Islands, or South Sea colony. is certainly in hard case. The number is not very large, but it seems now in the condition of not knowing where to rest the ole of its foot. There are two colonies, one at Kakaako, and one at Lahaina. The neople belong to a very low class in the scale of development, as their appearance shows. lieutenant and nine men of the Gordon Highlanders were killed, besides one artilleryman, one engine driver, one fireman, a guard and four natives.

Naval Cadets T. R. Kurtz, J. L. Hileman, The latter might be the best solution. These people make a living by weaving mats, hats and so forth. Their larder is of the most primitive, and shark is considered a delicacy among them.

ALONG THE CLIFFS. Season Fairly Well Launched Amons

Special Correspondence of The Evening Star. NEWPORT, R. I., July 5, 1901. This week has been full of yachting, cannon crackers and perspiration, principally the latter. The length of the hot spell broke all records and extinguished most of

the small entertainments planned. While the social season may now be spoken of as fairly launched, there will be few noteworthy dinners and dances for ten days to come. Not for years, if ever, have so many cottagers been here on the Fourth, and what is more they have money to spend. Nothing but an epidemic or torrid

temperatures can prevent this from proving a banner season.
All eyes are on the Independence rather than the Constitution, and if the Lawson boat wins, red fire will be used hereabouts by the car load.

The usual Fourth of July celebration and the Horticultural Society's rose and strawberry show were pleasant incidents of the week, along with the annual convocation of the Rhode Island-Cincinnati, the first festival of the Clam Bake Club and Capt. Chadwick's dinner to Admiral Dewey. Gen. Joseph Wheeler was also dined. The Quononsquot Club gave a reception

The Quononsquot Club gave a reception at Jamestown on the Fourth. The Casino concerts begin Monday.

Late Washington hotel arrivals: Mr. and Mrs. Geo. R. Stetson, C. Rockford Stetson, J. H. Simmons, Chas. F. Munroe, Robinson Riley, Mrs. E. P. Rhett, Mrs. E. S. Parker, Miss Helen W. Parker, E. Lindgren, Miss S. W. Hosford. The Rev. E. L. Buckey of St. Matthew's Church, Washington, preached at St. Mary's Church last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Howland of Washington have said

ton have arrived at the Liebler Cottage on Rhode Island avenue.

Miss Maud Wetmore of Washington is entertaining Miss Anna Sands of New York

Mrs. Maynard of Washington is at the Mrs. Maynard of Washington is at the La Forge Cottage.
Senator Wetmore of Washington this week gave a luncheon and drive in honor of Gen. Joseph Wheeler.

Mrs. Reginald De Koven of Washington has arrived at the Honor of Washington. has arrived at the Marguerite villa, Rhode Island avenue, much improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. Fobey Beal and family of Washington are at the King cottage for

Judge John Davis of the Court of Claims at Washington and Mrs. Davis have arrived at the Howland cottage, Rhode Is-

IN THE BLUE RIDGE. Homes of Washingtonians and Hotels All Open.

Special Correspondence of The Evening Star. BLUE RIDGE SUMMIT, Pa., July 5, 1901. As a result of the hot weather the Blue Ridge mountain resorts are filling rapidly, the guests being largely from Washington and Baltimore.

Capt. John Henry Russell, United States Marine Corps, and wife of Washington are visiting Mrs. Russell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Howard, who are spending dall, which has just finished unloading a the summer at "Greystones," their beautithe summer at "Greystones," their beautiful mountain home, near here.

Miss Mary Booth, daughter of the late Major Booth, U. S. A., is visiting her aunt, Miss Katherine Reed Lockwood, at "Way-

Commander George L. Dyer, U. S. N., is at the Monterey Inn with his family.

The social event of the week was the eception given Tuesday night by Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. McComas of Hagerstown.at their pretty summer home, "Squirrel Harbor," near here, in honor of Mr. Frederick W. McComas and bride, formerly Miss Matilda Price Smith of Baltimore. Mr. and Mrs. McComas, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. McComas, Mr. and Mrs. And Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Comas and Rev. and Mrs. J. P. McComas of Annapolis received the guests, assisted by Miss Katherine Scott. Miss Jean Lucas, Miss Margaret Neill, Miss Bertha Funk, Miss Bessie McComas, Miss Mavin Jamison of Hagerstown, Misses Hughes, Misses Chipchase and Miss Rebecca Gaither of

Among the guests at the Buena Vista in a tragedy. After both became very much excited one of them drew a stiletto miral Franklin, Mrs. Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Tullock, Mrs. M. J. Whipple, A. L. Whippie, Mrs. E. A. Alexander and son. James B. Henderson, Mrs. James B. Henderson, Miss Smith and maid, Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Jenkins, Mrs. John R. Kennett, Miss Nannie Kennett, William H. Demp-

Washington guests at the Monterey Inn are Rev. Dr. and Mrs. McKim, Mrs. N. O. Messenger, Walter Guyson, Mr. and Mrs.

The Assembly Club of Hagerstown gave a delightful moonlight dance at Pen Mar Monday evening, the guests including a number of the guests from the neighboring

Laurel News. Special Correspondence of The Evening Star.

LAUREL, Md., July 6, 1901. Nelson Fisher, the fifteen-year-old son of Mr. Ellsworth M. Fisher, a well-known citizen of this town, was taken to the Garfield Hospital in Washington yesterday afternoon for the purpose of having a large number of grains of gunpowder removed from his face and eyes. The lad was asked to touch off a toy cannon Thursday, and turned to light the fuse, when the cannon was discharged in his face by some one else applying the match. The charge of powder entered his face, chest, eyes and neck, causing him much pain. The powder was removed, and Mr. Fisher was assured that the danger of evil effects resulting from the accident was small.

Not many of the farmers of this vicinity

were enabled to make a holiday of the Fourth, most of them being busy in the harvesting of wheat and other grains. The prospects in some districts are not bright for a large crop of wheat. While the crop of straw will be a fine one, the grain did not fill well.

A lively canvass is being made of this town by the candidates for the state legislature. Mr. Charles W. Darr, democrat, and Mr. James P. Curley, republican, have announced their candidacy for the position of state senator, and a hot fight is looked for here, as both candidates have a large

Falls Church News.

Newman as secretary.

FALLS CHURCH, Va., July 6, 1901. Special Correspondence of The Evening Star. The road board of the second ward, at a meeting held last night, organized for the year by the election of Councilman J. H. Wells as chairman and Councilman C. F.

Messrs. C. C. Walters, C. F. Newman and J. H. Wells have qualified as councilmen, and the new board has organized by the election of H. L. Turner as mayor, H. A. D. Crocker as clerk, and A. D. Swift as town sergeant. The mayor has announced the following committees for the year: Messrs. Gould, Walters and Wells on street lighting; Messrs. Ellison, Jacobs and Gibson on finance; Messrs. Quick, Newman and Wells, public health; H. L. Turner was re-elected chief of the fire department, with Messrs. Mankin, Jacobs and Kimball

The annual report of the school The annual report of the school board of the town, just submitted, shows total receipts as follows: County funds, \$493.90; state, \$432.08; town tax, \$1,903.07. Disbursements, for pay of teachers, \$1,907.50; for repairs, insurance, fuel, supplies, commission to sergeant, \$334.62; balance on hand of \$296.53.

About fifty young people gathered at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Pickering Dodge July 4, in honor of the birthday of Miss Elizabeth Dodge A delightful evening was spent by all.

Mr. W. Kinsley, son of Prof. Kinsley, was among the graduates from Council. was among the graduates from Cornell University this year and has returned

The Barefoot Fad. From the Dublin Freeman's Journal.

The latest sensation in Dublin is the adoption by a number of society people of the 'barefoot" fad for their children. Considerable attention is aroused now and then in the streets about the fashionable squares by the appearance of smartly clad chil-dren, walking barelegged and barefooted, all but a slight sandal. The idea is that the children are made hardier and less likely to take cold by this exposure,

The Wealthy Combine. From Smart Set. Whipper-"Well, I see there's a billion

ioliar trust at last." Snapper-"Why, when did the milliners

ALONG THE RIVER FRONT

SHAD DYING IN LARGE NUMBERS FROM UNKNOWN CAUSE.

Stock of Ice Ample for All Demands-Dull Fish Market-General Mention.

The shad remaining in the Potomac above the Long bridge are dying in considerable numbers from some unknown cause. Yes terday evening the officers of the ferry steamer Columbia counted about fifty of the fish floating on the surface of the river between the forks of the channel and Alexandria, the greater portion of them dead, but several were still feebly moving. The shad generally leave these waters before July, but this season they are reported as still quite plentiful in the upper river. It is understood the mortality among them is to be brought to the attention of the fish commission for investigation.

The excessively hot weather of the past ten days has made the demand on the stock of ice at the wharf ice houses very heavy but there is still a sufficient supply on hand to meet all emergencies for ten days or two the river with a large cargo of ice bound here. She should reach this city within the next twenty-four hours; and two other large vessels, the Henry L. Peckham and Thos. S. Dennison, each with over a thousand tons of ice aboard, should be in port here early next week. The platform men at the ice houses are working night and day to supply the demand, which is unprecedentedly heavy.

The trial trip of Mr. J. E. Reyburn's

yacht Gretchen was very satisfac-It is understood the yacht will be fitted out at Alexandria instead of being taken to the Hudson river for that pur-The fish market at the 11th street wharf still remains unusually dull, and the sup-plies coming from the Norfolk neighbor-

plies coming from the Norfolk neighborhhood and the lower river are very small.

Prices remain about the same as early in

This morning white perch sold the week. This morning white perch sold at 5c. to 10c. per pound; boiling rock, 12 c. to 15c. per pound; pan rock, 4c. to 8c. per pound; sturgeon, 8c. to 10c. per pound; weak fish, blues and flounders, 2c. per pound each; Spanish mackerel, 5c. to 6c. per pound; sturgeon, 8c. to 10c. per pound; st per pound; gray trout, \$1 to \$2 per barrel; per pound; gray trout, \$1 to \$2 per parrer, croakers, \$1 per barrel; butterfish, \$2 to \$3 per barrel; catfish and eels, 10c. to 20c. per bunch; drum, carp and porgles, 10c. to 25c. each. Soft shell crabs are very scarce, and are selling at 50c. to 60c. per dozen.

The Moving Craft.

The three-masted schooner Eliza A. Scrivner has arrived in port from Jacksonville, Fla., with 100,000 feet of lumber and 1,000,000 shingles for Johnson & Wimsatt. The two-masted schooner E. S. Johnson, with a cargo of about 60,000 feet of Virginia pine lumber, has arrived in port for Johnson & Wimsatt.

The big four-masted schooner M. A. Rangone to Georgetown to load coal for a New England port. The large sailing barge Daniel of Alex-

andria has been taken to the lower river, and will load lumber for the dealers here. The barge Katie Bradley has completed the discharging of a cargo of hard coal, and is now at Forsberg & Murray's wharf, waiting a tug to take her away.

The little two-masted schooner John P. Robinson has gone up to Georgetown with a cargo of grain from the lower river.

The schooner Alberta, in tow of the tug
Minerva, has gone to a lower river port and will load lumber.

The tugs Camilla and Yerkes, jr., have sailed for the capes on the lookout for sev-eral ice-laden vessels, bound to this port,

which are now due about Cape Charles.

The steamer Lily & Howard sailed today for Aquia creek, with several light coal barges in tow. The barges will load railway ties and poplar wood for Philadelphia. The Rosie Beatrice has arrived in port. loaded with fine boards, from the Coan river for the local dealers.

The bugeye Silver Spray is at Alexandria and will there load a cargo of wheat for

the mills at Georgetown. The loughoat Silver Star has gone to the lower river and will load cord wood back to this port for Carter & Clark. The Little Dorrett is at Alexandria with

a cargo of foundry iron for Julius Drifuse. lower river. The Weems line steamer Potomac, which arrived last night from the river landings. brought up a large number of passengers.

General Matters. The pungy boat Annie K Dukes while on her way down the river from this port, ran aground on the flats not far from the United States naval powder magazine wharf, about 2:30 o'clock yesterday evening. She lay there until the rising tide

floated her off last night. to Capt. Crozier, U. S. N., which was re-cently rebuilt at the Alexandria shipyard, was yesterday evening taken out for a trial on the river near Fort Foote. Her en-gines and machinery were found to be in excellent order, and the launch made good speed. She will leave here within the next day or two for New London, Conn., for the Her owner will go in command. The big four-masted schooner Henry ice for the American Ice Company, was brought into port yesterday evening by the new tug, Wm. H. Yerkes, jr. The Little had a good passage and is discharging cargo at the 10th street wharf of the ice

The large scow Jackson has returned to port, in tow of the steamer Lily and How-ard, with a cargo of about 100 cords of pine wood from Aquia creek. This is first trip made by the Jackson. She will shortly be fitted with steam. The boiler which is to go in her is expected to arrive early next week. The engine is already

Bank's pile driver is at the wharf of Johnson & Wimsatt, giving it a thorough overhauling and driving a number of piles about its sides The barge reliance, from this port, has

arrived at West Point on the York river The steam launch Alert is out of commission for a few days while some altera-tions are being made in her gas engine. The pungy H. J. Bradshaw came into port yesterday evening with a pleasure party aboard from the eastern shore. It has been arranged to have the Colonial Beach excursion boats leave from the River View wharf, foot of 7th street and

not from the 8th street wharf. The steamer Watchful, which sailed from Philadelphia yesterday for the naval prov-ing grounds at Indian Head, Md., with a cargo of building material, is reported ashore in the Delaware river.

Hyattsville and Vicinity. Special Correspondence of The Evening Star.

HYATTSVILLE, Md., July 6, 1901. After inspecting Berwyn, Lakeland, College Park, Riverdale and Hyattsville a party of capitalists from New York and Washington who visited the places named vesterday came to the conclusion that this town could afford more advantages than the others for the construction of a large power house in connection with the operat-ing of several electric plants which they propose to establish in this section. The gentlemen who were here yesterday made a statement to the effect that they were prepared to light the streets of Hyatts-ville for less than the town corporation is operations will commerce next week at the pure food factory shich was recently established here. Over a hundred persons

will be given employment.

The regular monthly meeting of the common council of this town will be held Monmon council of this town will be held Monday evening at the office of Justice Carr.

Among other subjects which will be brought to the attention of the body will be the proposed water works.

Lieut. Commander Chauncey Thomas.

U. S. N., entertained a large number of this of the Fourth of July at his project. friends the Fourth of July at his residence

The faculty of the Maryland Summer School, now being held at the Maryland Agricultural College, at College Park, gave the young ladies attending the school a trolley ride the Fourth. The College Park Tennis and Croquet Club held a meeting Wednesday evening at the residence of Mrs. R. P. Whiteley. at Branchville. After tennas, dancing and croquet refreshments were se

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ENGINEERS' NERVE.

Desperate Chances Which They Sometimes Take. "I have been often asked why railway engineers disregard their instructions and the warning signals along the line of their road," said the general superintendent of a railroad to a Star man this morning, "and I have summed it up that it is human nature for men to take chances in their business, and that engineers are no excep-

tion to the general run.

"Sometimes they cannot give a satisfactory reason why they do so. I will give you an authentic instance of this habit, which "On a road I was at the time connected with was a long trestle over a bay, several miles in length, with a drawbridge center. The draw had been opened, and as a tugboat was passing through the bridgeheard the rumble of a fast, heavily laden passenger train as it struck the bridge a mile away. Knowing that the red danger signals were set with the opening of the draw, they supposed that the engineer would slow up, or stop, as might be necessary. Instead, to their consternation the train came along at regular speed, and a frightful accident appeared inevitable. They yelled to the captain of the tugboat to go at full speed, and as the boat glided through the draw in the darkness they exerted themselves to swing the draw into the locking bolts before the train could get to the point where the rails separated.

"The engineer, however, disregarded the last danger signal a few hundred yards from the draw, and came on. By a remarkable coincidence of time and position, the draw, which was, of course, in motion swung so that the rails of the east-bound track were in juxtaposition with the westbound track upon which the train was run-ning, and the heavy engine and one of the passenger coaches, striking the east-bound rails, glided upon the draw and stuck there, the remaining portion of the train being on the west-bound track, making almost a figure 8 of the coaches.

"If the draw had moved the thirtieth part of a second faster or slower the east-bound

of a second faster or slower, the east-bound rails would not have been opposite the west-bound rails at the very instant that the great engine struck them, and a frightful disaster would have resulted. When I ful disaster would have resulted. When I got out on the bridge a few minutes later I fully expected to find the train in the bottom of the bay, and the draw smashed into splinters. I discharged the engineer on the spot, and asked him why he had not observed the signals. He admitted that he saw them, but could not give a satisfactory reason for failing to observe them. He evi-dently took his chances of finding the draw closed when he reached it.

"The engineer of today is a sober, steady, nervy man, especially on the fast express trains on the big roads. It is nerve that makes one man carry a limited express train through the darkness of the night, fog, sleet and blinding snow at sixty miles an hour. The stories we read about of an engineer losing his 'nerve' after an accident are largely fiction. In twenty-seven years of active railroad life I have had but one or active railroad life I have had but one or two men apply to me for a transfer upon the ground that their nerves had gone back on them for running the fast trains. I have had men who have been flung fifty feet over their tender in a head-on collision and had a dozen bones broken, come to me after they had been discharged from the hospital and ask to be put back on their old run. You see, they begin firing when they are about eighteen or twenty, and the

cab of an engine is their home. If they run into a person, or a wagon load of people on the track, if it is not their fault, they take a practical view of it; they have to If it is their fault, we discharge them, and they can take any view of it they please then, for we do not wish in our employ careless men. This is true with all of the big roads, and as a result American engiof today are about as model a set of men in their employment as can be found

A NOVEL FEAST.

How a Literary Club Closed Its Season's Meeting. Very unique are the outings with which small literary club of the East End called made me live ten years in thirty minutes: the "Readers" closes its meetings at the end of the season. Last year they wound up with a "Burgoo" around a camp fire in the pine woods in the dark of the moon. This year it was a "Bouillabaisse," served

on the velvety turf of the old "Scaggs

Manor," beneath the venerable grove of its

generous park. On arrival at the gate of this hospitable mansion each member was decorated with an ivy leaf, on the surface of which was the word "Bouillabaisse" and the date in letters of gold and silver. Attached was a letters of gold and silver. Attached was a rosette of white ribbon. The spacious verandas and large rooms were very attractive with their huge blue bowls of lemon lilies and glass vases of fragrant sweet peas.

Under a patriarchal old chestnut in the glory of blossom, making it seem as if a filmy lace veil had been throw over it, the dainty lunched was spread. A lerge ket.

dainty luncheon was spread. A large ket-tle of steaming bouillabaisse, prepared after a noted French recipe by the chef of he party, was brought from the old kitchen and most generously served, proving to be such a success that the delicious fresh mushroom stew and crab salad prepared for later courses, to say nothing of the

dainty desserts, came near going a-beg-

sing.

Bouillabaisse is a sort of glorified chowder, made of a combination of all the good things that come out of the sea, seasoned with all the sweet herbs that grow and colored a beautiful salmon pink.

Luncheon over, historic points of interest in the near neighborhood, of which there were several, were visited by some of the guests, while some gathered dodder and knotted it to test the love of their dearones, some gathered mulberries and cherries or flowers or enjoyed the swing and hammocks until called to order. When seated in a circle around a mound of frahammocks until called to order. When seated in a circle around a mound of fragrant new-mown hay the good woman who is the spirit of these novel feasts made an appropriate address, giving to each member a certificate, artistically made and sealed by herself in white and gold, of their standing and progress in the year's work.

Cold Comfort. rom Smart Set

Nervous passenger-"Captain, what would be the result if this boat should strike at ceberg?"
Captain-"It would probably shiver its

Daughter-"Pa, this piano is horribly out "Nervous Parent—"Y-e-s, my dear, it is. I think you'd better not play on it any more until it has been tuned."
"Well, I won't. When will you have it done?"